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**--RELATED APPLICATIONS**

**This patent application is related to U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/470,588 filed December 22, 1999, entitled *System and Method for Computer-Aided Rebate Processing*, and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/470,582 filed December 22, 1999 entitled *Rebate Processing System and Method Providing Promotions Database and Interface*...**

REMARKS

Early and favorable acceptance of this non-provisional utility patent application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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